

Which was read the first time by its title.

Mr. Gornto moved that the rules be waived and Senate Bill No. 502 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 502 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. Gornto moved that the rules be further waived, and that Senate Bill No. 502 be read a third time in full and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 502 was read a third time in full.

Upon call of the roll on the passage of the Bill, the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Senators Alexander, Baker, Carlton, Crawford, Eaton, Gornto, Hughlett, Jones, King, McLeod, Willis—12.

Nays—Senators, Davis, Farris, Fogarty, Greene, Igou, McEachern, MacWilliams, Middleton, Roland, Terrell, Wells, Wilson—12.

So the Bill failed to pass.

Mr. King moved to waive the rules and take from its order for consideration Senate Bill No. 489.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And—

Senate Bill No. 489:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to legalize the town government of the Town of Crystal River, Florida, and granting certain charter powers to said municipality relative to the assessment and collection of taxes, validating assessment rolls, validating former acts of town officials, providing for the town government and abolishing certain offices and creating the office of Town Manager, and providing the manner in which street tax may be levied.

Mr. King moved that the rules be waived and Senate Bill No. 489 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 489 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. King moved that the rules be further waived and that Senate Bill No. 489 be read a third time in full and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 489 was read a third time in full.

Upon call of the roll on the passage of the Bill the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Senators Alexander, Baker, Carlton, Crawford, Davis, Farris, Fogarty, Gornto, Greene, Hughlett, Igou, Jones, King, Mathis, McEachern, McLeod, MacWilliams, Middleton, Moore, Oliver, Roland, Sheppard, Terrell, Turner, Wells, Willis, Wilson—28.

Nays—None.

So the Bill passed, title as stated.

And the same was ordered to be certified to the House of Representatives.

Mr. Hughlett moved that 200 copies of Senate Bill No. 496 be printed.

Which was agreed to and so ordered.

Mr. Farris moved that 200 copies of Senate Joint Resolution No. 476 be printed.

Which was agreed to and so ordered.

Mr. Wells moved that the Senate do now adjourn.

Which was agreed to.

Thereupon the Senate stodd adjourned to 10 o'clock A. M., May 12, 1917.

### Saturday, May 12, 1917.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

The President in the chair.

The roll being called, the following Senators answered to their names:

Mr. President, Senators Alexander, Andrews, Baker, Calkins, Carlton, Crawford, Davis, Farris, Fogarty, Gornto, Greene, Hughlett, Igou, Jones, King, Mathis, McEachern, McLeod, MacWilliams, Middleton, Moore, Oliver, Roland, Sheppard, Terrell, Turner, Wells, Willis, Wilson—30.

A quorum present.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

Reading of the Journal dispensed with.

Journal of May 11 was corrected and approved as corrected.

## REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

Mr. J. M. Gornito, Chairman of the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,  
Tallahassee, Fla., May 10, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,  
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred—

(Senate Bill No. 63.)

"An Act making it unlawful for any person or persons to interfere with recruiting in the army or navy of the United States of America, or in the national guard or active militia of the State of Florida; and prescribing penalties therefor."

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 132.)

"An Act to amend Section 1762 of the General Statutes of Florida, requiring the Clerk of the Supreme Court to furnish the Attorney General copies of head notes, opinions, statements of cases made by the justices and briefs of opposing counsel, together with certified copies of or extracts from any other paper or records appertaining to any case decided by the courts."

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 148.)

"An Act extending the time for the completion of the revision, simplification, arrangement and consolidation of the statutes by the Commissioner appointed under the provisions of Chapter 6930, Acts of 1915."

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 257.)

"An Act to amend Section 14 of Chapter 6878 of the Laws of Florida, being 'An Act to appoint naval stores inspectors, to prescribe their duties and fix their compensation, to prevent and prohibit adulteration of spirits of turpentine and naval stores, and to provide for the appointment and duties and compensation of a supervising inspector of naval stores, and to prescribe forfeitures and

penalties for violating, and methods for the enforcement of the provisions of this Act, approved June 5, 1915."

Beg leave to report that the same have been duly signed by the Speaker and Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives, and are herewith presented to the Senate for the signatures of the President and Secretary thereof.

Very respectfully,

J. M. GORNTTO,  
Chairman of Committee.

Mr. J. M. Gornito, Chairman of the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, submitted the following report:

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Also—

(Senate Bill No. 148.)

An Act extending the time for the completion of the revision, simplification, arrangement and consolidation of the statutes by the commissioner appointed under the provisions of Chapter 6930, Acts of 1915.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 257.)

An Act to amend Section 14 of Chapter 6878 of the Laws of Florida, being "An Act to appoint naval stores inspectors, to prescribe their duties and fix their compensation, to prevent and prohibit adulteration of spirits of turpentine and naval stores, and to provide for the appointment and duties and compensation of a supervising inspector of naval stores, and to prescribe forfeitures and penalties for violating, and methods for the enforcement of the provisions of this Act," approved June 5, 1915.

Beg to report that the same have been presented to the Governor for his approval.

Very respectfully,

J. M. GORNTO,  
Chairman of Committee.

Mr. Wilson, Chairman of Committee on Engrossed Bills, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,  
Tallahassee, Fla., May 12, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,  
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Engrossed Bills, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 425:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to authorize the Comptroller to pay for all services rendered, and for all subsistence, supplies and transportation furnished, to the State of Florida, in the suppression of Indian hostilities in the last war with the Seminoles, in the years 1855 and 1856.

Have examined the same and find it correctly engrossed.

Very respectfully,

A. M. WILSON,  
Chairman of Committee.

Senate Bill No. 425, contained in the above report, was placed on Calendar of Bills on Third Reading.

Mr. Wilson, Chairman of Committee on Engrossed Bills, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,  
Tallahassee, Fla., May 12, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,  
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Engrossed Bills, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 492:

A Bill to be entitled An Act relative to the care, maintenance and hiring of State convicts, and making an appropriation for carrying out the provisions thereof.

Have examined the same and find it correctly engrossed.

Very respectfully,

A. M. WILSON,  
Chairman of Committee.

And—

Senate Bill No. 492, contained in the above report, was placed on Calendar of Bills on Third Reading.

Mr. J. M. Gornito, Chairman of the Committee on Enrolled Bills, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,  
Tallahassee, Fla., May 12, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,  
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred—

(House Bill No. 536.)

"An Act empowering the County Commissioners of Pinellas County, in the State of Florida, to hard-surface or pave county roads and to assess two-thirds of the costs of said hard-surface and paving against the abutting property, and issue certificates against said property for a period of ten years, divided into ten equal payments with interest not exceeding six per cent (6%) per annum, interest payable annually; and providing for a referendum."

Also—

(House Bill No. 77.)

"An Act to give the Florida Railroad Commission authority to fix the rates of toll on any toll bridge or causeway, which, including the approaches thereto, is more than four miles in length, now constructed or to be hereafter constructed over and across the waters of any river, bay, bayou or other body of water in the State of Florida, and to provide for the maximum rates of toll thereon, the hours during which said toll bridge or causeway shall remain open for traffic, and authorizing the said Railroad Commission to make rules and regulations respecting the same, and providing for the enforcement thereof."

Also—

(House Bill No. 548.)

"An Act to amend Section 6 of Article 7 and Section 1 of Article 8 of Chapter 7242 of the Acts of the Legislature of the State of Florida for the year 1915, being An Act entitled 'An Act to abolish the present municipality of the Town of Sebring in DeSoto county, and State of Florida, and to organize and establish a municipality of the Town of Sebring, in DeSoto county, and State of Florida, to provide for its government, fix its territorial limits and to prescribe its jurisdiction and power,' and to give to the town of Sebring, DeSoto county, Florida, the power of prohibiting the running at large of live stock upon the streets of said town."

Have carefully examined the same, and find them correctly enrolled.

Very respectfully,

J. M. GORNTO,  
Chairman of Committee.

And the Acts contained therein were referred to the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills.

Mr. J. M. Gornto, Chairman of the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,

Tallahassee, Fla., May 12, 1917.

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Have carefully examined the same, and find them correctly enrolled.

Very respectfully,

J. M. GORNTO,  
Chairman of Committee.

And the Acts contained in the above report were ordered referred to the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, to be conveyed to the House of Representatives for the signatures of the Speaker and Chief Clerk thereof.

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Beg leave to report that the same have been duly signed by the Speaker and Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives, and are herewith presented to the Senate for the signatures of the President and Secretary thereof.

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Senate Chamber,  
Tallahassee, Fla., May 12, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,  
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred—

(House Bill No. 524.)

An Act to legalize and validate the issue of \$10,000 bonds for the City of New Smyrna, a municipal corporation in Volusia County, Florida, for the erection and extension and completion of a water works system for said city, and authorizing issuance of said bonds of the City of New Smyrna, Florida, in the amount of \$10,000, prescribing the form and details of said bonds, and providing for the collection of the taxes to pay the principal and interest thereof.

Also—

(House Bill No. 395.)

An Act limiting the amount of tonnage carried by motor vehicles, and restricting the use of "trailers," and

log, timber, turpentine or other carts, wagons or vehicles over certain kinds of roads in Polk County, and providing for the enforcement of same.

Also—

(House Bill No. 572.)

An Act authorizing the City Council of the City of Jacksonville to expend money to aid and assist any public safety committee or council organized for the protecting of public property in time of war between the United States and any foreign government.

Also—

(House Bill No. 244.)

An Act requiring emigrant agents doing business in this State to procure a county license, fixing the amount thereof and prescribing a penalty for doing business without such license.

Also—

(House Bill No. 68.)

An Act to provide for monthly payments of pensions, to make regulations therefor, and to prescribe penalties in connection therewith.

Beg leave to report that the same have been duly signed by the Speaker and Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives, and are herewith presented to the Senate for the signatures of the President and Secretary thereof.

Very respectfully,

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(House Bill No. 68.)

"An Act to provide for monthly payments of pensions, to make regulations therefor, and to prescribe penalties in connection therewith."

Have carefully examined the same, and find them correctly enrolled.

Very respectfully,

J. M. GORNTO,  
Chairman of Committee.

And the Acts contained therein were referred to the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills.

Mr. J. M. Gornito, Chairman of the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,  
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Have carefully examined the same, and find them correctly enrolled.

Very respectfully,

J. M. GORNTTO,  
Chairman of Committee.

And the Acts contained in the above report were ordered referred to the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, to be conveyed to the House of Representatives for the signatures of the Speaker and Chief Clerk thereof.

Mr. J. M. Gornito, Chairman of the Committee on Enrolled Bills, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,  
Tallahassee, Fla., May 12, 1917.

*Hon. J. B. Johnson,*  
*President of the Senate.*

Sir:

Your Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred—

(House Bill No. 38.)

"An Act to authorize the creation of the following described lands lying and being in Orange County, State of Florida, to-wit: The south half of sections 4, 5 and 6, the south half of the north half of sections 4 and 5, the west half of the northwest quarter of section 10, the northwest quarter of southwest quarter of section 10, the east half of section 31, all of sections 7, 8, 9, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 28, 29, 30, 32 and 33 of township 23 south, range 28 east, and southeast quarter of section 1, east half of southwest quarter of section 1, east half of northwest quarter of section 12, northeast quarter of section 12, south half of section 12, north half of section 25, all of sections 13 and 24 of township 23 south, range 27 east, and all of sections 4 and 5 and the east half of section 6 of township 24 south, range 28 east, into a special navigable canal district to be known as the 'Windermere Special Navigable Canal District of Orange County, State of Florida,' with power to

build, erect, maintain and repair navigable canals within said territory, to issue bonds or warrants to pay for the building, erection, maintenance or repair of said canals, to levy and collect a special tax within said territory, to create a sinking fund, to pay the interest and principal on bonds so issued and to pay the amounts due on any warrants issued for said purpose, and to exercise the power of eminent domain for the purpose of acquiring right of way for said canals and any other property or materials required for the building, erection, maintenance or repair of any canal or canals within said district, and to levy and collect a special tax within said territory for the purpose of building, erecting, maintaining or repairing the canals within said territory."

Also—

(House Bill No. 50.)

"An Act to amend Section 2503 of the General Statutes of Florida relating to the foreclosure of mortgages upon lands and other property lying in two or more counties."

Have carefully examined the same, and find them correctly enrolled.

Very respectfully,

J. M. GORNTO,  
Chairman of Committee.

And the Acts contained therein were referred to the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills.

Mr. J. M. Gornto, Chairman of the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,  
Jacksonville, Fla., May 12, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,  
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred—

(House Bill No. 38.)

An Act to authorize the creation of the following described lands lying and being in Orange County, State of Florida, to-wit: The south half of sections four, five and six, the south half of the north half of sections four and five, the west half of the northwest quarter of sec-

tion ten, the northwest quarter of southwest quarter of section ten, the east half of section thirty-one, all of sections seven, eight, nine, sixteen, seventeen, eighteen, nineteen, twenty, twenty-one, twenty-eight, twenty-nine, thirty, thirty-two, and thirty-three of township twenty-three south, range twenty-eight east, and southeast quarter of section one, east half of southwest quarter of section one, east half of southwest quarter of section twelve, northeast quarter of section twelve, south half of section twelve, north half of section twenty-five, all of sections thirteen and twenty-four, of township twenty-three south, range twenty-seven east, and all of sections four and five, and the east half of section six, of township twenty-four south, range twenty-eight east, into a special navigable canal district to be known as the "Windermere Special Navigable Canal District of Orange County, State of Florida," with power to build, erect, maintain and repair navigable canals within said territory, to issue bonds or warrants to pay for the building, erection, maintenance or repair of said canals, to levy and collect a special tax within said territory to create a sinking fund to pay the interest and principal on bonds so issued and to pay the amounts due on any warrants issued for said purpose, and to exercise the power of eminent domain for the purpose of acquiring right of way for said canals and any other property or materials required for the building, erection, maintenance or repair of any canal or canals within said district, and to levy and collect a special tax within said territory for the purpose of building, erecting, maintaining or repairing the canals within said territory.

Also—

(House Bill No. 50.)

An Act to amend Section 2503 of the General Statutes of Florida relating to the foreclosure of mortgages upon lands and other property lying in two or more counties.

Have examined the same, and find them correctly enrolled.

Very respectfully,

J. M. GORNTO,  
Chairman of Committee.



And the Acts contained in the above report were ordered referred to the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills to be conveyed to the House of Representatives for the signatures of the Speaker and the Chief Clerk thereof.

Mr. J. M. Gornto, Chairman of the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,  
Tallahassee, Fla. May 12, 1917.

*Hon. J. B. Johnson,*  
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ing right of way for said canals and any other property or materials required for the building, erection, maintenance or repair of any canal or canals within said district, and to levy and collect a special tax within said territory for the purpose of building, erecting, maintaining or repairing the canals within said territory."

Also—

(House Bill No. 50.)

An Act to amend Section 2503 of the General Statutes of Florida relating to the foreclosure of mortgages upon lands and other property lying in two or more counties.

Beg leave to report that the same have been duly signed by the Speaker and Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives, and are herewith presented to the Senate for the signatures of the President and Secretary thereof.

Very respectfully,

J. M. GORNTO,  
Chairman of Committee.

The Committee on Judiciary B submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,  
Tallahassee, Fla., May 12, 1917.

*Hon. J. B. Johnson,*

*President of the Senate.*

*Sir:*

Your Committee on Judiciary B, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 455:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to prescribe the qualification of electors in municipal elections to be held in the municipality of the city of DeLand, Volusia County, Florida.

Have had the same under consideration, and recommend that it do pass, with the following amendment:

Strike out all of Section 2 and insert in lieu thereof the following:

"Section 2. This Act shall take effect upon its ratification by the affirmative vote of a majority of the votes cast at an election to be held in the city of DeLand, as hereinafter provided.

"Sec. 3. That the election provided for in the preced-

ing section of this Act shall be held on the day of the next general election to be held in the city of DeLand. The City Council of said city shall provide by ordinance for the submission of this Act to the qualified electors of the city of DeLand, for ratification or rejection.

Very respectfully,

JAMES E. CALKINS,  
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 455, with the Committee Amendment, contained in the above report, was placed on Calendar of Bills on Second Reading.

#### INTRODUCTION AND CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTIONS.

Mr. Terrell offered the following Resolution:

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 14:

Relating to establishment of memorial park and monument at or near the town of Bushnell, Florida.

Which was laid over under the rule.

#### INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

By Mr. Moore—

Senate Bill No. 504:

A Bill to be entitled "An Act amending Sections 671, 672 and 682 of the General Statutes of the State of Florida, relative to the organization of the National Guard of the State of Florida."

Which was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Militia.

By Mr. Baker—

Senate Bill No. 505:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to provide for the recovery of attorneys' fees in certain suits against corporations and other operating railroads.

Which was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Railroads, Canals and Telegraphs.

By Mr. Oliver—

Senate Bill No. 506:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to amend An Act entitled "An Act to regulate the salaries of county superintendents of public instruction."

Which was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Judiciary B.

By Mr. Crawford—

Senate Bill No. 507:

A Bill to be entitled An Act fixing the time for holding elections in special tax school districts in Orange County, Florida, to elect trustees and to determine the number of mills of district school tax to be levied for the succeeding two years.

Which was read the first time by its title.

Mr. Crawford moved that the rules be waived and Senate Bill No. 507 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 507 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. Crawford moved that the rules be further waived and that Senate Bill No. 507 be read a third time in full and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 507 was read a third time in full.

Upon call of the roll on the passage of the Bill, the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Senators Alexander, Andrews, Carlton, Crawford, Farris, Fogarty, Gornito, Greene, Hughlett, Igou, Jones, Mathis, McEachern, McLeod, Middleton, Moore, Oliver, Roland, Shepard, Terrell, Turner, Willis, Wilson—24.

Nays—None.

So the Bill passed, title as stated.

And the same was ordered to be certified to the House of Representatives.

By Mr. Terrell—

Senate Bill No. 508:

A Bill to be entitled A Act authorizing and directing the Board of County Commissioners of Marion County, Florida, to refund to the candidates at the last general primary election held in Marion county all the money that was paid to them under Chapter 6468 (No. 48), Section 26, Acts of 1913, by the said candidates as a filing fee, but was not used in conducting said election.

Which was read the first time by its title and placed on the Calendar of Local Bills on the Second Reading.

# MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,  
Tallahassee, Fla., May 11, 1917.

*Hon. J. B. Johnson,*  
*President of the Senate.*

*Sir:*

I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed—

Senate Bill No. 13:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to amend Chapter 6883 of the Acts of the Legislature of 1915, the same being entitled: "An Act providing for the creation of a State Road Department; providing for the appointment of the members of such Department; prescribing their duties and powers; providing for the employment of a State Road Commissioner, and creating a fund for the maintenance thereof."

Very respectfully,  
R. A. GREEN,  
Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

And Senate Bill No. 13, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Enrolled Bills.

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,  
Tallahassee, Fla., May 11, 1917.

*Hon. J. B. Johnson,*  
*President of the Senate.*

*Sir:*

I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed—

House Bill No. 685:

A Bill to be entitled An Act authorizing the County Commissioners of Polk County, Florida, to refund to D.

M. Pipkin the amount of a certain judgment and costs entered against said D. M. Pipkin on account of the forfeiture of his bond for the appearance of one Snap Zeigler.

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,  
R. A. GREEN,  
Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

And House Bill No. 685, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title and placed on the Calendar of Local Bills on the Second Reading.

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,  
Tallahassee, Fla., May 11, 1917.

*Hon. J. B. Johnson,*  
*President of the Senate.*

*Sir:*

I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed—

House Memorial No. 3:

The memorialize the Congress of the United States to place into effect the prohibition of the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors during the existence of the present state of war between the United States and the Imperial German Government.

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,  
R. A. GREEN,  
Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

And House Memorial No. 3, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title and laid over under the rules.

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,  
Tallahassee, Fla., May 11, 1917.

*Hon. J. B. Johnson,*  
*President of the Senate.*

*Sir:*

I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed, with amendment—

Senate Bill No. 14:

A Bill to be entitled An Act assenting to and accepting the provisions of an Act of Congress, approved July 11, A. D. 1916, the same being entitled: "An Act to provide that the United States shall aid the States in the construction of rural post roads and for other purposes," and all Acts supplementary thereto; and making appropriations to meet the conditions of the Federal Aid Road Act, and providing an assessment of a half mill on all of the taxable property in this State to meet the same.

House amendment—

At the end of Section 2, "Provided, that the State Road Commissioner and the members of the Highway Commission shall each be required to give bond in the sum of \$10,000 for the faithful performance of their duties, the premium to be paid by the State."

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,  
R. A. GREEN,  
Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

And the House Amendment to Senate Bill No. 14, contained in the above message, was read:

Mr. Terrell moved that the Senate do concur to the House of Representatives amendment, contained in the foregoing message.

Which was agreed to and the House amendment to Senate Bill No. 14 was concurred in.

And the Bill as amended was referred to the Committee on Engrossed Bills.

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,  
Tallahassee, Fla., May 12, 1917.

*Hon. J. B. Johnson,*  
*President of the Senate.*

*Sir:*

I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has adopted—

House Concurrent Resolution No. 20:

A Concurrent Resolution relating to the establishment of a memorial park and monument at or near the town of Bushnell, Florida.

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,  
R. A. GREEN,  
Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

And House Concurrent Resolution No. 20, contained in the above message, was read and was laid over under the rules.

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,  
Tallahassee, Fla., May 12, 1917.

*Hon. J. B. Johnson,*  
*President of the Senate.*

*Sir:*

I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed—

House Bill No. 670:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to create certain territory in Alachua County, Florida, into a special road and bridge district; to legalize and validate an election and the result as shown by the canvass of the returns thereof, held in said territory constituting the said territory into a special road and bridge district; and to legalize and validate the building and construction of certain roads and bridges named therein, and for the issuance of bonds to pay therefor, and the appointment of a Board of Bond Trustees, and to invest said trustees with certain powers and duties, and to carry into effect the object and pur-

poses of said election; and to provide for the use and control of the general road and other funds collected within said territory for road purposes.

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,

R. A. GREEN,

Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

And House Bill No. 670, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title.

Mr. Roland moved that the rules be waived and House Bill No. 670 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 670 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. Roland moved that the rules be further waived, and that House Bill No. 670 be read a third time in full and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 670 was read a third time in full.

Upon the call of the roll on the passage of the Bill, the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Senators Andrews, Baker, Carlton, Davis, Farris, Fogarty, Gornto, Greene, Hughlett, Igou, Jones, Mathis, McEachern, McLeod, MacWilliams, Middleton, Moore, Oliver, Roland, Sheppard, Turner, Willis, Wilson—24.

Nays—None.

So the Bill passed, title as stated.

And the same was ordered to be certified to the House of Representatives.

Mr. Roland moved to lay Senate Bill No. 491 on the table.

Which was agreed to.

And the Bill was placed on the table.

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,  
Tallahassee, Fla., May 12, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,  
President of the Senate.

Sir:

I am directed by the House of Representatives to in-

form the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed—

House Bill No. 663:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to authorize the City of Tallahassee to levy a special tax for creating a publicity and advertising fund for said city, and providing for the expenditure thereof.

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,

R. A. GREEN,

Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

And House Bill No. 663, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title and placed on the Calendar of Local Bills on the Second Reading.

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,  
Tallahassee, Fla., May 12, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,

President of the Senate.

Sir:

I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed—

House Bill No. 503:

A Bill to be entitled An Act validating deeds of conveyance made by the Florida Mortgage and Investment Company, Limited.

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,

R. A. GREEN,

Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

And House Bill No. 503, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title and placed on the Calendar of Bills on the Second Reading, the rules being waived by a two-thirds vote.

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,  
Tallahassee, Fla., May 12, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,  
President of the Senate.

Sir:

I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed—

House Bill No. 605:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to prohibit the taking of mussels from the fresh water lakes and streams of Calhoun County, and making the violation of this Act a misdemeanor.

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,

R. A. GREEN,  
Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

And House Bill No. 605, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title.

Mr. Mathis moved that the rules be waived and House Bill No. 605 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 605 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. Mathis moved that the rules be further waived and that House Bill No. 605 be read a third time in full and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 605 was read a third time in full.

Upon call of the roll on the passage of the Bill, the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Senators, Alexander, Andrews, Baker, Carlton, Crawford, Davis, Eaton, Farris, Fogarty, Gornto, Greene, Hughlett, Igou, Jones, Mathis, McEachern, McLeod, MacWilliams, Middleton, Moore, Roland, Sheppard, Turner, Willis, Wilson—26.

Nays—Mr. Oliver—1.

So the Bill passed, title as stated.

And the same was ordered to be certified to the House of Representatives.

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,  
Tallahassee, Fla. May 12, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,  
President of the Senate.

Sir:

I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed—

House Bill No. 613:

A Bill to be entitled An Act regulating the manner of catching fish in the fresh water lakes and streams of Bay County, Florida; prohibiting shipment of same out of said county; providing for license tax and punishment for violations of this Act.

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,

R. A. GREEN,  
Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

And House Bill No. 613, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title and placed on the Calendar Local Bills on the Second Reading.

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,  
Tallahassee, Fla., May 12, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,  
President of the Senate.

Sir:

I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed—

House Bill No. 617:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to authorize and direct the Board of County Commissioners of Calhoun County, Florida, to transfer from the Road and Bridge Fund, or other funds, to the Fine and Forfeiture Fund, of said

county, all moneys received after October 1, 1917, from the hire of county convicts.

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,  
R. A. GREEN,  
Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

And House Bill No. 617, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title and placed on the Calendar of Local Bills on the Second Reading.

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,  
Tallahassee, Fla., May 12, 1917.

*Hon. J. B. Johnson,*  
*President of the Senate.*

*Sir:*

I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed—

House Bill No. 622:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to legalize and validate at law and in equity the tax assessments and levies made by the Tax Assessors of the Town of Jennings, in Hamilton County, Florida, of real estate lying and being situate in said town, for the years of 1913, 1914 and 1915; and to legalize and validate at law and in equity tax sales made by the Tax Collectors in and for the Town of Jennings, Florida, of all real estate lying and being situate in said town, made during the years of 1914, 1915 and 1916.

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,  
R. A. GREEN,  
Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

And House Bill No. 622, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title and placed on

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,  
Tallahassee, Fla., May 12, 1917.

*Hon. J. B. Johnson,*  
*President of the Senate.*

*Sir:*

I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed—

House Bill No. 623:

A Bill to be entitled An Act authorizing and requiring the Board of County Commissioners of Lee County, Florida, to reimburse E. E. Goodno, County Commissioner of Commissioner's District No. 5, Lee County, Florida, for loss of money expended by him in paying for improvements for road in said county and district.

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,  
R. A. GREEN,  
Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

And House Bill No. 623, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title, and placed on the Calendar of Local Bills on Second Reading.

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,  
Tallahassee, Fla., May 12, 1917.

*Hon. J. B. Johnson,*  
*President of the Senate.*

*Sir:*

I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed—

House Bill No. 624:

A Bill to be entitled An Act reducing the number of membership of the City Council of the City of Ocala to

five members; providing for their election and recall by the voters of said city at large; providing for the city manager plan of government of said city; further, abolishing the present Board of Bond Trustees for said city, and providing for a new board to be known as the Sinking Fund Commission of the City of Ocala, and prescribing the membership of said board, their election, powers and duties; to provide for the issuance of bonds and negotiable securities by said city; defining the corporate limits of said city; providing for the office and election of Mayor for said city, a City Manager, a City Clerk and Assessor of Taxes, Chief of Police, policemen, and such other officers as the Council of said city may provide for; providing for the issuance of special assessment certificates by said city, and for their enforcement and reassessment; providing for a Recorder's Court in and for said city, and otherwise defining, extending and enlarging the powers of said city, and validating all prior acts thereof.

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,  
R. A. GREEN,  
Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

And House Bill No. 624, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title and placed on the Calendar of Local Bills on the Second Reading.

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,  
Tallahassee, Fla., May 12, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,  
*President of the Senate.*

Sir:

I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed—

House Bill No. 630:

A Bill to be entitled An Act making it unlawful to catch fish in certain fresh water lakes of Osceola county.

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,  
R. A. GREEN,  
Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

And House Bill No. 630, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title and placed on the Calendar of Local Bills on the Second Reading.

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,  
Tallahassee, Fla., May 12, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,  
*President of the Senate.*

Sir:

I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed—

House Bill No. 633:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to amend Sections 10, 15 and 17 of Chapter 7168 (No. 362), Acts 1915, same being "An Act to abolish the present municipal government of the Town of Homestead, in the County of Dade and State of Florida, and to reorganize and establish a municipal government for the said town, to prescribe its jurisdiction and powers and to authorize the imposition of penalties for the violation of its ordinances."

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,  
R. A. GREEN,  
Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

And House Bill No. 633, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title and placed on the Calendar of Local Bills on the Second Reading.

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:



House of Representatives,  
Tallahassee, Fla., May 12, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,  
President of the Senate.

Sir:

I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed—

House Bill No. 636:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to legalize and confirm the incorporation of the Town of Crestview, in Okaloosa County, Florida, and to declare the same a legally incorporated town.

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,

R. A. GREEN,  
Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

And House Bill No. 636, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title.

Mr. McLeod moved that the rules be waived and House Bill No. 636 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 636 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. McLeod moved that the rules be further waived, and that House Bill No. 636 be read a third time in full and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 636 was read a third time in full.

Upon the call of the roll on the passage of the Bill, the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Senators Alexander, Andrews, Baker, Carlton, Crawford, Davis, Farris, Greene, Hughlett, Igou, Mathis, McEachern, McLeod, MacWilliams, Middleton, Moore, Oliver, Roland, Sheppard, Terrell, Turner, Willis, Wilson—24.

Nays—None.

So the Bill passed, title as stated.

And the same was ordered to be certified to the House of Representatives.

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,  
Tallahassee, Fla., May 12, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,  
President of the Senate.

Sir:

I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed—

House Bill No. 642:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to regulate the size of bar and mesh and length of seine fished or used in the salt waters of Escambia County, Florida; providing for the enforcement of this Act, and making the violation hereof a misdemeanor.

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,

R. A. GREEN,  
Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

And House Bill No. 642, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title and placed on the Calendar of Local Bills on the Second Reading.

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,  
Tallahassee, Fla., May 12, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,  
President of the Senate.

Sir:

I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed—

House Bill No. 651:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to provide for the method and manner of opening, establishing, building, constructing and maintaining public roads and bridges in the County of Okaloosa, State of Florida, and to provide a road and bridge fund for the said County of Okaloosa, State of Florida, and for the assessment and collection of same.

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,  
R. A. GREEN,  
Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

And House Bill No. 651, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title.

Mr. McLeod moved that the rules be waived and House Bill No. 651 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 651 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. McLeod moved that the rules be further waived and that House Bill No. 651 be read a third time in full and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 651 was read a third time in full.

Upon call of the roll on the passage of the Bill, the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Senators Alexander, Andrews, Baker, Calkins, Carlton, Crawford, Farris Greene, Hughlett, Igou, Jones, Mathis, McEachern, McLeod, Middleton, Moore, Oliver, Roland, Sheppard, Turner, Wells, Willis, Wilson—24.

Nays—None.

So the Bill passed, title as stated.

And the same was ordered to be certified to the House of Representatives.

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,  
Tallahassee, Fla., May 12, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,  
President of the Senate.

Sir:

I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed—

House Bill No. 287:

A Bill to be entitled An Act authorizing agricultural

and horticultural, non-profit, co-operative associations to own and hold stock in corporations under certain conditions.

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,  
R. A. GREEN,  
Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

And House Bill No. 287, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Judiciary B.

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,  
Tallahassee, Fla., May 12, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,  
President of the Senate.

Sir:

I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed—

House Bill No. 658:

A Bill to be entitled An Act validating the formation and creation of the limestone drainage district in DeSoto County, Florida, and validating the election of a Board of Supervisors for said district, and the acts of said Board of Supervisors, validating the assessment of benefits made by the Commissioners appointed by the Circuit Court of said district.

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,  
R. A. GREEN,  
Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

And House Bill No. 658, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title.

Mr. Wilson moved that the rules be waived and House Bill No. 658 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 658 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. Wilson moved that the rules be further waived and that House Bill No. 658 be read a third time in full and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 658 was read a third time in full.

Upon call of the roll on the passage of the Bill the vote was:

Yeas — Mr. President, Senators Alexander, Andrews, Baker, Calkins, Carlton, Crawford, Davis, Fogarty, Gornito, Greene, Hughlett, Igou, Jones, King, McEachern, McLeod, MacWilliams, Middleton, Moore, Oliver, Roland, Sheppard, Turner, Wells, Willis, Wilson—26.

Nays—None.

So the Bill passed, title as stated.

And the same was ordered to be certified to the House of Representatives.

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,  
Tallahassee, Fla., May 12, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,  
President of the Senate.

Sir:

I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed—

House Bill No. 662:

A Bill to be entitled An Act authorizing and empowering the Board of Public Instruction of Lake County, Florida, to issue interest-bearing coupon warrants for the purpose of borrowing money to erect and equip a building to be used for manual training and home demonstration work in Special Tax School District No. 21, Leesburg, Florida.

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,

R. A. GREEN,

Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

And House Bill No. 662, contained in the above message ( was read the first time by its title and placed on the Calendar of Local Bills on the Second Reading.

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,  
Tallahassee, Fla., May 12, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,

President of the Senate.

Sir:

I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed—

House Bill No. 666:

A Bill to be entitled An Act granting additional rights, powers and privileges to the city of Sanford, Seminole County, Florida, with reference to buying, holding, leasing, selling or otherwise disposing of any real estate owned by said city when said real estate so conveyed is to be used for hotel purposes, public building, parks or other public purposes, and providing for the release under certain conditions of any lien for local improvements claimed by the city of Sanford on any real estate alienated or conveyed.

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,

R. A. GREEN,

Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

And House Bill No. 666, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title and placed on the Calendar of Local Bills on the Second Reading.

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,  
Tallahassee, Fla., May 12, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,

President of the Senate.

Sir:

I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed—

House Bill No. 688:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to legalize the election held on the 5th day of December, A. D. 1916, in Gadsden County, State of Florida, to determine whether bonds should be issued by the Board of County Commissioners for said county as proposed and provided by a resolution voted upon and passed by said Board of County Commissioners of Gadsden County, Florida, passed in open session at a meeting of said Board on the 18th day of October, A. D. 1916, and to declare and render valid said resolution and to authorize the issuance of bonds as provided by said resolution.

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,

R. A. GREEN,

Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

And House Bill No. 688, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title and placed on the Calendar of Local Bills on the Second Reading.

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,  
Tallahassee, Fla., May 12, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,

President of the Senate.

Sir:

I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed—

House Bill No. 689:

A Bill to be entitled An Act validating twenty-five thousand dollars of bonds of Special Road and Bridge District No. 2, of Holmes County, authorized by special election of May 2, 1916, and declaring said special district to be a special road and bridge district in accordance with law.

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,

R. A. GREEN,

Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

And House Bill No. 689, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title.

Mr. Moore moved that the rules be waived and House Bill No. 689 be read a second time by its title only

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 689 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. Moore moved that the rules be further waived, and that House Bill No. 689 be read a third time in full and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 689 was read a third time in full.

Upon the call of the roll on the passage of the Bill, the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Senators Alexander, Andrews, Baker, Calkins, Carlton, Crawford, Farris, Gornto, Greene, Hughlett, Igou, Jones, Mathis, McEachern, McLeod, MacWilliams, Middleton, Moore, Oliver, Roland, Sheppard, Terrell, Turner, Wells, Willis, Wilson—27.

Nays—None.

So the Bill passed, title as stated.

And the same was ordered to be certified to the House of Representatives.

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,  
Tallahassee, Fla., May 12, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,

President of the Senate.

Sir:

I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed—

House Bill No. 690:

A Bill to be entitled An Act relating to the obstruction of county and settlement roads in Leon County, Florida, and providing penalties for the violations thereof.

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,

R. A. GREEN,

Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

And House Bill No. 690, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title and placed on the Calendar of Local Bills on the Second Reading.

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,  
Tallahassee, Fla., May 12, 1917.

*Hon. J. B. Johnson,*  
*President of the Senate.*

*Sir:*

I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed—

House Bill No. 691:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to establish the municipality of the town of Boynton, fix its territorial limits, provide for its government and prescribe its jurisdiction and powers.

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,

R. A. GREEN,

Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

And House Bill No. 691, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title.

Mr. Hughlett moved that the rules be waived and House Bill No. 691 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 691 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. Hughlett moved that the rules be further waived and that House Bill No. 691 be read a third time in full and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 691 was read a third time in full.

Upon call of the roll on the passage of the Bill the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Senators Alexander, Andrews, Baker, Calkins, Crawford, Davis, Farris, Fogarty, Gornto, Greene, Hughlett, Igou, Jones, Mathis, McEach-

ern, McLeod, MacWilliams, Middleton, Moore, Oliver, Roland, Sheppard, Terrell, Turner, Wells, Willis, Wilson—28.

Nays—None.

So the Bill passed, title as stated.

And the same was ordered to be certified to the House of Representatives.

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,  
Tallahassee, Fla., May 12, 1917.

*Hon. J. B. Johnson,*  
*President of the Senate.*

*Sir:*

I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed—

Senate Bill No. 463:

A Bill to be entitled An Act authorizing the Board of County Commissioners of Pasco County, Florida, to issue interest-bearing warrants in the aggregate sum of thirty thousand dollars for the purpose of paying the outstanding indebtedness of Pasco County, Florida, and to create a sinking fund for the payment of the principal and interest on said warrants and to provide for the retirement of same.

Also—

Senate Bill No. 358:

A Bill to be entitled An Act relating to the pay of road supervising and constructing engineer of Taylor County, Florida, for supervising the building of roads in pursuance of the bond election held July 25, 1916, and any other bond issue in said county, and refund amounts already paid.

Also—

Senate Bill No. 445:

A Bill to be entitled An Act for the protection of ruffed grouse, (pheasant), Mongolian, Chinese or English

pheasant, and providing open and closed seasons for hunting the same in Manatee County, Florida.

Very respectfully,

R. A. GREEN,  
Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

And Senate Bills Nos. 463, 358 and 445, contained in the above messages were read the first time by their titles and referred to the Committee on Enrolled Bills.

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,  
Tallahassee, Fla., May 12, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,  
President of the Senate.

Sir:

I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed—

House Bill No. 682:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to legalize the town government of the town of Crystal River, Florida, and granting certain charter powers to said municipality relative to the assessment and collection of taxes, validating assessment rolls, validating former acts of town officials, providing for the town government and abolishing certain offices and creating the office of town manager, and providing the manner in which street tax may be levied.

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,

R. A. GREEN,  
Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

And House Bill No. 682, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title and placed on the Calendar of Local Bills on Second Reading.

#### ORDERS OF THE DAY.

Senate Bill No. 164 was taken up in its order and the consideration of the same was temporarily passed over.

Senate Bill No. 267 was taken up in its order and the consideration of the same was temporarily passed over.

#### BILLS ON THIRD READING.

Senate Joint Resolution No. 480 was taken up in its order and the consideration of the same was temporarily passed over.

Senate Bill No. 89 was taken up in its order and the consideration of the same was temporarily passed over.

#### BILLS ON SECOND READING.

Senate Joint Resolution No. 484 was taken up in its order and the consideration of the same was temporarily passed over.

Senate Bill No. 261 was taken up in its order and the consideration of the same was temporarily passed over.

Mr. Plympton was excused from attendance on the body for today.

Senate Bill No. 236:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to protect and regulate the fresh water fishing industry of the State of Florida, and to provide for the enforcement of this Act.

Was taken up, and was read the second time in full.

Mr. Mathis offered the following amendment to Senate Bill No. 236:

Strike out Section 16.

Mr. Mathis moved to adopt the amendment.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Wilson offered the following amendment to Senate Bill No. 236:

In Section 10, line 4, strike out the word "loaded,"

Mr. Wilson moved to adopt the amendment.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Davis offered the following amendment to Senate Bill No. 236:

Insert after Section 22, the following: "Section 22½.

Nothing in the foregoing Sections shall be construed to apply to fish in privately owned ponds or lakes."

Mr. Davis moved to adopt the amendment.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Oliver offered the following amendment to Senate Bill No. 236:

In Section 19, line 13, after the word "law" insert the following: "Provided the salary of Chief Assistant shall not be more than \$2,500 per annum."

Mr. Oliver moved to adopt the amendment.

Which was not agreed to.

Mr. Mathis offered the following amendment to Senate Bill No. 236:

Make Section 17 read Section 16 and consecutively thereafter.

Mr. Mathis moved to adopt the amendment.

Which was agreed to.

And Senate Bill No. 236, as amended, was referred to the Committee on Engrossed Bills.

Senate Bill No. 226:

A Bill to be entitled An Act granting to Courts of Chancery in this State jurisdiction to enjoin and suppress all nuisances which tend to annoy the community or injure the health of the citizens in general, or to corrupt public morals, or is manifestly injurious to the public health, safety and morals of the community; to enjoin and suppress all nuisances mentioned in Section 3680 of the General Statutes of Florida and all places frequented by persons described in and mentioned in Section 3570 of the General Statutes of Florida, as amended by Chapter 5720 of the Acts of 1907, Laws of Florida, and to enjoin all places, houses, tents, booths, in which the laws of the State of Florida are violated, and all houses of lewdness, assignation and prostitution, and places where games of chance are engaged in in violation of law, and declaring all such places to be nuisances; to enjoin the person or persons who conduct or maintain the same, and the owner and agent of any building used for such purpose, and to provide for the payment of costs such proceedings and declaring a lien for such costs.

The following amendment of the Committee on Judiciary A was read as follows:

In Section 4, line 9, after "nuisance," add: "Provided, no lien shall attach to the real estate and buildings of any other than the occupant unless five days' written notice shall have been given to the owner or his agent who shall fail to abate said nuisance within said five days."

Mr. Carlton moved to adopt the amendment.

Which was agreed to.

And Senate Bill No. 226, as amended, was referred to the Committee on Engrossed Bills.

Senate Bill No. 172:

A Bill to be entitled An Act relating to the liability of editors or proprietors of newspapers for the publication of Judicial, Legislative or Public Official proceedings.

Was taken up, and was read a second time in full.

Mr. Carlton offered the following amendment to Senate Bill No. 172:

In Section 1, line 4, after the word "proceedings," insert the following: "or other matter."

Mr. Carlton moved to adopt the amendment.

Upon which a year and nay vote was demanded.

The roll was called and the vote was:

Yeas—Senators Alexander, Baker, Carlton, Crawford, Hughlett, Igou, Oliver, Sheppard, Wells, Wilson—10.

Nays—Mr. President, Senators Calkins, Davis, Farris, Fogarty, Gornito, Greene, Jones, Mathis, McEachern, MacWilliams, Middleton, Moore, Roland, Turner, Willis—16.

So the amendment was not agreed to.

Mr. Carlton offered the following amendment to Senate Bill No. 172:

In Section 1, lines 5 and 6, strike out the words "and in making such report malice shall not be implied from publication," and insert in lieu thereof the following: "And a retraction of any erroneous matter given equal prominence to the original publication shall be a defense to any such action."

Mr. Carlton moved to adopt the amendment.

Which was not agreed to.

Mr. MacWilliams offered the following amendment to Senate Bill No. 172:

In Section 1, line 3, after the word "report" insert the following: "Concluded judicial proceedings."

Mr. MacWilliams moved to adopt the amendment.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. MacWilliams offered the following amendment to Senate Bill No. 172:

In Section 1, line 3, strike out "other."

Mr. MacWilliams moved to adopt the amendment.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Gornto moved to indefinitely postpone Senate Bill No. 172.

Which was agreed to.

And the Bill was indefinitely postponed.

Senate Bill No. 98 was taken up in its order and the consideration of the same was temporarily passed over.

Senate Bill No. 240:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to amend Chapter 2574, Compiled Statutes of 1906, providing for the issuance of marriage licenses and the prerequisites therefor.

Was taken up, and was read the second time in full.

There being no amendment offered Senate Bill No. 240 was, under the rule, placed on the Calendar of Bills on Third Reading.

Senate Bill No. 57:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to create a State Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners, to regulate and control the practice of veterinary medicine, surgery and dentistry in this State, and to provide for the violations thereof.

Was taken up and was read the second time in full.

Mr. Wells offered the following amendment to Senate Bill No. 57:

Amend Section 7 by striking out line 10.

Mr. Wells moved to adopt the amendment.

Which was agreed to.

And Senate Bill No. 57, as amended, was referred to the Committee on Engrossed Bills.

By permission—

Mr. Hughtlett introduced—

Senate Bill No. 509:

A Bill to be entitled An Act granting a pension to B. F. Collier.

Which was read the first time by its title.

Mr. Hughtlett moved that the rules be waived and Senate Bill No. 509 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 509 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. Hughtlett moved that the rules be further waived and that Senate Bill No. 509 be read a third time in full and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 509 was read a third time in full.

Upon call of the roll on the passage of the Bill, the vote was:

Yeas—Senators Alexander, Andrews, Baker, Calkins, Crawford, Farris, Fogarty, Hughtlett, Jones, King, Moore, Oliver, Wilson—13.

Nays—Mr. President, Senators Carlton, Gornto, Greene, Igou, Mathis, McEachern, MacWilliams, Middleton, Roland, Sheppard, Terrell, Turner, Wells, Willis—15.

So the Bill failed to pass.

Senate Bill No. 229 was taken up in its order and the consideration of the same was temporarily passed over.

Senate Bill No. 228 was taken up in its order and the consideration of the same was temporarily passed over.

Senate Bill No. 177:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to provide for the infliction of the death penalty in this State by electrocution, and amending Sections 4020, 4021 and 4022 of the General Statutes of the State of Florida in relation thereto.

Was taken up and was read the second time in full.

Mr. Terrell moved to indefinitely postpone the Bill.

Which was agreed to.

And Senate Bill No. 177 was indefinitely postponed.

Mr. Calkins moved that the Senate do now proceed to the consideration of executive business.

Which was agreed to.

The Senate closed its doors at 12:07 o'clock P. M. and proceeded to consider executive matters.

The doors were thrown open at 12:25 o'clock P. M.



The roll was called and the following Senators answered to their names:

Mr. President, Senators Alexander, Andrews, Baker, Calkins, Carlton, Crawford, Davis, Farris, Fogarty, Gornto, Greene, Hughlett, Igou, Jones, King, Mathis, McEachern, McLeod, MacWilliams, Middleton, Moore, Oliver, Roland, Sheppard, Terrell, Turner, Wells, Willis, Wilson—30.

A quorum present.

### ENROLLED.

The President announced that he was about to sign—

(House Bill No. 38.)

“An Act to authorize the creation of the following described lands lying and being in Orange County, State of Florida, to-wit: The south half of sections four, five and six, the south half of the north half of sections four and five, the west half of the northwest quarter of section ten, the northwest quarter of southwest quarter of section ten, the east half of section thirty-one, all of sections seven, eight, nine, sixteen, seventeen, eighteen, nineteen, twenty, twenty-one, twenty-eight, twenty-nine, thirty, thirty-two and thirty-three of township twenty-three south, range twenty-eight east, and southeast quarter of section one, east half of southwest quarter of section one, east half of northwest quarter of section twelve, northeast quarter of section twelve, south half of section twelve, northeast quarter of section twelve, south half of section twelve, north half of section twenty-five, all of sections thirteen and twenty-four, of township twenty-three south, range twenty-seven east, and all of sections four and five and the east half of section six, of township twenty-four south, range twenty-eight east, into a special navigable canal district to be known as the ‘Windermere Special Navigable Canal District of Orange County, State of Florida,’ with power to build, erect, maintain and repair navigable canals within said territory, to issue bonds or warrants to pay for the building, erection, maintenance or repair of said canals, to levy and collect a special tax within said territory to create a sinking fund, to pay the interest and principal on bonds so issued and to pay the amounts due on any warrants issued for said pur-

pose, and to exercise the power of eminent domain for the purpose of acquiring right of way for said canals and any other property or materials required for the building, erection, maintenance or repair of any canal or canals within said district, and to levy and collect a special tax within said territory for the purpose of building, erecting, maintaining or repairing the canals within said territory.”

Also—

(House Bill No. 50.)

“An Act to amend Section 2503 of the General Statutes of Florida relating to the foreclosure of mortgages upon lands and other property lying in two or more counties.”

Also—

(House Bill No. 536.)

An Act empowering the County Commissioners of Pinellas County, in the State of Florida, to hard-surface or pave county roads and to assess two-thirds of the costs of said hard-surface and paving against the abutting property, and issue certificates against said property for a period of ten years, divided into ten equal payments with interest not exceeding six per cent (6%) per annum, interest payable annually; and providing for a referendum.

Also—

(House Bill No. 77.)

An Act to give the Florida Railroad Commission authority to fix the rates of toll on any toll bridge or causeway which including the approaches thereto, is more than four miles in length now constructed or to be hereafter constructed over and across the waters of any river, bay, bayou or other body of water in the State of Florida, and to provide for the maximum rates of toll thereon, the hours during which said toll bridge or causeway shall remain open for traffic, and authorizing the said Railroad Commission to make rules and regulations respecting the same, and providing for the enforcement thereof.

Also—

(House Bill No. 548.)

An Act to amend Section 6 of Article 7, and Section 1 of Article 8, of Chapter 7242, of the Acts of the Legislature of the State of Florida for the year 1915, being an Act entitled: "An Act to abolish the present municipality of the Town of Sebring, in DeSoto County, and State of Florida, and to organize and establish a municipality of the Town of Sebring, in DeSoto County, and State of Florida, to provide for its government, fix its territorial limits and to prescribe its jurisdiction and power;" and to give to the Town of Sebring, DeSoto County, Florida, the power of prohibiting the running at large of live stock upon the streets of said town.

Also—

(House Bill No. 524.)

An Act to legalize and validate the issue of \$10,000 bonds for the city of New Smyrna, a municipal corporation in Volusia County, Florida, for the erection and extension and completion of a water works systems for said city, and authorizing issuance of said bonds of the city of New Smyrna, Florida, in the amount of \$10,000, prescribing the form and details of said bonds, and providing for the collection of the taxes to pay the principal and interest thereof.

Also—

(House Bill No. 395.)

An Act limiting the amount of tonnage carried by motor vehicles, and restricting the use of "trailers," and hog, timber, turpentine or other carts, wagons or vehicles over certain kinds of roads in Polk County, and providing for the enforcement of same.

Also—

(House Bill No. 572.)

An Act authorizing the City Council of the city of

Jacksonville to expend money to aid and assist any public safety committee or council organized for the protecting of public property in time of war between the United States and any foreign government.

Also—

(House Bill No. 244.)

An Act requiring emigrant agents doing business in this State to procure a county license, fixing the amount thereof and prescribing a penalty for doing business without such license.

Also—

(House Bill No. 68.)

An Act to provide for monthly payments of pensions, to make regulations therefor, and to prescribe penalties in connection therewith.

The Acts were therefore duly signed by the President and Secretary of the Senate, and ordered returned to the Chairman of the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills to convey to the Governor for his approval.

Mr. Wells moved that the Senate do now adjourn to 3 o'clock P. M. Monday next.

Which was agreed to.

Thereupon the Senate stood adjourned to 3 o'clock P. M. Monday, May 14, 1917.

#### CONFIRMATIONS.

Hon. R. J. Patersen, to be a member of the State Tax Commission of the State of Florida for four years from May 7, 1917.

Hon. J. S. Blitch to be a member of the State Tax Commission of the State of Florida for four years from May 7, 1917.

Also has advised and consented to the—

Suspension and removal of C. B. King, as County Superintendent of Public Instruction of Jackson County.